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RESPONSE  
Serial No. 10/045,094

Docket No.: 826.1034C2D2D2D

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shoji HAYASHIDA

Serial No. 10/045,094

Group Art Unit: 2876

Confirmation No. 3711

Filed: January 15, 2002

Examiner: Harold I Pitts

For: AN ELECTRONIC CASHLESS SYSTEM

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on March 2, 2003. A Petition for a 3-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to June 2, 2003. This Response is timely filed on May 29, 2003.

The following remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

REMARKS

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-7 are pending.

The Examiner on page 4 of the Action appears to reject claims 1-7 under 35 USC 112, which the Applicant understands as requiring reading the claimed features on the specification.

Further, the Examiner appears to be rejecting claims 1-7 under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over the prior art of record and the European Opposition information of the counterpart European patent application of the above-identified patent application, which were disclosed in an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed August 30, 2003.



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<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>	Attorney Docket No.	826.1034C2D2D2D	
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	Filing Date	January 15, 2002	
	First Named Inventor	Shoji HAYASHIDA	
	Group Art Unit	2876	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$930.00	Examiner Name	Harold I. Pitts

**FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)**

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	7	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	- 3 =	0	X \$ 84.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of March 2, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5					\$930.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 930.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
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